

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Giorgio Grego )  
) Group Art Unit: 2612  
Application No.: 10/580,042 )  
) Examiner: V. U. Brown  
Filed: May 19, 2006 )  
) Confirmation No.: 7560  
For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS )  
FOR LONG DISTANCE READING )  
OF PASSIVE TAGS IN RADIO )  
FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION )  
SYSTEMS )

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Sir:

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance mailed February 23, 2010. Without withdrawing the allowed claims from issue, Applicants submit these comments for the record.

In the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner provided a statement of reasons for allowance. Applicants agree with the Examiner's conclusion that the prior art fails to teach Applicants' method and apparatus as claimed in the allowed claims . However, Applicants do not subscribe to the Examiner's restatement of an interrogating station as paraphrased on page 2 of the Detailed Action under "statement of reasons for allowance:" to the extent that it is inconsistent with the actual claim language recited in

the amended claims of the Preliminary Amendment filed by Applicants on May 19, 2006.


If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of these Comments, please charge the fee to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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